Shy. I am very glad of it, Ile plague him, Ile torture him, I am glad of it.

Tuball. One of them ſhewed me a ring that he had of your daughter for a Monky.

Shy. Out upon her, thou tortureſt me *Tuball*, it was my Turkies, I had it of *Leah* when I was a Batchelor: I would not have given it for a wilderneſſe of Monkies.

Tuball. But *Anthonio* is certainly undone.

Shy. Nay, thats true, thats very true, go *Tuball*, fee me an Officer, beſpeak him a fortnight before, I will have the heart of him if he forfeit, for were he out of Venice I can make what merchandize I will: go *Tuball*, and meet me at our Synagogue, go good *Tuball*, at our Synagogue *Tuball*. *Exeunt.*

Enter Baſſanio, Portia, Gratiano, and all their traines.

Portia. I pray you tarry, pauſe a day or two
Before you hazzard, for in chooſing wrong
I looſe your company; therefore forbeare a while,
There's ſomething tels me (but it is not love)
I would not looſe you, and you know your ſelfe,
Hate counſels not in ſuch a quality;
But leſt you ſhould not underſtand me well,
And yet a maiden hath no tongue, but thought,
I would detain you here ſome moneth or two
Before you venture for me. I could teach you
How to chooſe right, but then I am forſworne,
So will I never be, ſo may you miſſe me,
But if you do, youle make me wiſh a ſinne,
That I had been forſworn: Bleſſhrow your eyes,
They have ore-lookt me and divided me,
One halfe of me is yours, the other halfe yours,
Mine own I would ſay: but if mine then yours,
And ſo all yours; O theſe naughty times
Puts barres between the owners and their rights.
And ſo though yours, not yours, (prove it ſo)
Let Fortune go to hell, not I.
I ſpeak too long, but tis to peize the time,

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To eech it, and to draw it out in length,
To ſtay you from election.

Baſſ. Let me chuſe,
For as I am, I live upon the racke.

Por. Upon the racke *Baſſanio*, then confeſſe
What treaſon there is mingled with your love.

Baſſ. None but that ugly treaſon of miſtruſt,
Which makes me feare th'injoying of my Love,
There may as well be amity and life
Tween ſnow and fire, as treaſon and my love.

Por. I, but I feare you ſpeake upon the racke
Where men enforced do ſpeak any thing.

Baſſ. Promiſe me life, and ile confeſſe the truth.

Por. Well then, confeſſe and live.

Baſſ. Confeſſe and love
Had been the very ſumme of my confeſſion:
O happy torment when my torturer
Doth teach me anſwers for deliverance;
But let me to my fortune and the Caskets.

Por. Away then, I am lockt in one of them,
If you do love me, you will find me out.
Nerryſſa and the reſt, ſtand all aloofe,
Let muſicke ſound while he doth make his choyſe
Then if he looſe he makes a Swan-like end,
Fading in muſique. That the compariſon
May ſtand more proper, my eye ſhall be the ſtream
And watry death-bed for him: he may win,
And what is muſique than? Then muſique is
Even as the flouriſh, when true ſubjects bowe
To a new crowned Monarch: Such it is,
As are thoſe dulcet ſounds in break of day.
That creep into the dreaming Bride-groomes ear
And ſummon him to marriage. Now he goes
With no leſſe preſence, but with much more love
Then young *Alcides*, when he did redeeme
The virgine tribute, payed by howling Troy
To the Sea monſter: I ſtand for ſacrifice,
The reſt aloofe are the Dardanian wives;